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IN HOC SIGNO VINCES.

IN Great Britain the wages average about one-half of the wages of the United States. Few of the working people own their homes. They have few, if any, luxuries—in fact many of our necessities of life are considered luxuries by them. Every penny earned is needed to make both ends meet, so that after years of toil there is not a dollar saved, and the Poorhouse is the last home of hundreds of thousands.

In France the condition of the working people is not to be compared to that of the laborers of this country.

In Belgium two-thirds of the working class are women. Together with children they work in the mines, in the fields and in the mills. Home life as we know it is not found. They simply exist.

In Holland a man considers himself fortunate if he earns \$230 a year, eats meat but once a week, and saving is out of the question.

In Italy meat is seldom eaten even by a skilled mechanic. Average wages of males, \$3 per week; females, \$1.50.

In Austria a mere pittance is all that is had by large portion of the men and women even after working seventy-two hours and more per week. Coarse clothing, poor and but little food and a miserable life is the result.

In Germany, perseverance, patience, industry and economy make the laborer's lot somewhat better than in some other foreign countries.

In India and China a few cents must suffice the laborer, who lives on rice and rats.

Free-trade in the United States means one of two things:

Either our goods will be made by the laborers whose condition is described above—

Or our laborers must accept the same wages and mode of living.

According to *The Iron Age* of April 14th, wire nails now sell in Pittsburgh for 1.55 cents per pound, in factory lots. This is, perhaps, the lowest price on record. The duty on wire nails is 2 cents per pound. Now, how much is

SITTING among the vales and hills dotting the boundless prairies to-day are seen more than a million of prosperous homes built upon farms which were the gift of a general HOMESTEAD LAW. The whole number of farms in the United States is four and a half millions. Less than one-fifth, or 1,092,161 were bestowed upon a class of people who otherwise might have been without homes or lands to-day. What a wonderful history for the fireside. Let the farmer read it carefully and decide who has been his benefactor.

In 1852 the Free Soil party proposed to give the public lands to those who would be willing to become agriculturists, but no action was taken worthy of notice. In 1856, the Republicans having organized as a political party, made the homestead question a National issue.

In 1857, the opening of the Thirty-fifth Congress, the Republican measure known as the Grow bill was defeated by Democratic votes in the lower House of Congress. Seventy-one Democrats voted against the bill, while only fourteen voted for it. Every Republican present voted for the bill.

In January, 1859, a new measure was acted on, but upon a final vote the bill was defeated by a vote of 95 to 91—the Republican vote being unanimous for the bill, the Democratic vote being solid against it, except twelve.

In February, 1859, a further attempt was made and the Homestead bill passed the House by a vote of 120 yeas to 76 nays. Sixty out of ninety-eight Democrats voted against the bill. This bill failed in the Senate by a tie vote, Vice-President BRECKINRIDGE casting the deciding vote against the bill. The Republicans voted unanimously for it and the Democrats against it. Two days afterward a further attempt was made, and defeated by the Democrats.

At the next session, on the 6th of March, 1860, a bill was reported, and on the 12th of March it passed the House by a vote of 115 yeas to 66 nays. The Republicans voted unanimously for the bill and those opposing it were Democrats. The Senate reported a substitute for this bill in April, 1860, known as the Johnson bill, which passed the Senate on the 10th of May. The only votes against the bill were those of Democrats. This bill was sent to conference, and after a long struggle the conference agreed and its report was adopted; but when it reached the President on June 22d, President BUCHANAN vetoed the bill. The action of the President was sustained in the Senate by Democratic votes, and thus the people were robbed of a Free Homestead bill as late as 1860.

In 1861, the Republican party being in control of both Houses of Congress, it hastened to redeem its pledge to the Nation. Early in 1862 it passed the famous Homestead act, which has blessed the world and given us more than a million homes. Since that time one hundred and seventy-four and a half millions of acres have been given by the Government to those seeking homes without money and without price. The estimated value of this gift to the agricultural people of the country amounts to more than \$218,500,000.

It is but just to conclude from the history covering ten years of the National Congress (from 1852 to 1862) that the whole power of the Democratic party was arrayed against this principle of free homes to American people, while the Republican party, on coming into power in 1861, made this their first great duty to the Nation and to those seeking homes, to keep its pledge and redeem its promise.

Who to-day on the farm in the great West and Northwest, having found a home at the hands of this great party, can turn his back upon it and its principles and vote to sustain theories and isms which are the outgrowth of an unreliable, dissatisfied element in our midst who, having nothing, desires all things? Had you not better consider and retain the Republican party in power because of its past record?

THE McKinley law has ruined the Delaware peach crop. The frost had nothing to do with it.

WE are somewhat surprised that *The Louisville Times* continues its ever-welcome visits to our sanctum. We feared it would have to suspend publication after the Legislature had jumped on it. This only serves to show the greatness of a newspaper and the smallness of a Legislature—especially a Kentucky Legislature.

THE Democrats seek to repeal the Sugar Bounty law. They should go the next step and offer a bill reimposing the duty on sugar. Senator ROGER Q. MILLS said in Ohio last fall that he would put the duty back on sugar, because it is practically a revenue tax, owing to the little sugar produced in this country. That is exactly why the Republicans took it off. MILLS justifies the Republican action.

THE only things of importance done by the Kentucky Legislature Monday was to jump on a correspondent of *The Louisville Times* with both feet, probably because he had told too much truth about the way things are done, and then to hurry off to the Lexington races at the expense of the taxpayers of the state! What do the horny-handed farmers think of this, while they are plowing and hoeing and digging and sweating to raise money to foot the bills? Turn the race-going rascals out.

THE LEDGER notes with extreme pleasure that *The Kentucky Leader* is putting on city airs. It has outgrown its old surroundings; the single-cylinder press is inadequate to print its large edition; the gas engine must give way to a more powerful one; new and larger and more perfect machines must be added, and the old house will not accommodate these. So *The Leader* will soon be moved into "The Printery," a spacious edifice built for its increasing needs. Soon it will be printed on a new perfecting-press, which prints, cuts, pastes, folds—and we had nearly said delivers and reads—at the rate of four thousand complete newspapers per hour. The writer has a warm place in his heart for *The Leader*; he was in at the birth, but has no desire to be in at the funeral. Long may it wave!

Political Pickings.

In Spite of the Tariff.

As Secretary Foster said, this is getting to be a billion-dollar country. *The Hartford Post* remarks: "For the first time in the history of the country, it requires ten figures to tell the story of a year's exports of domestic products. They have passed the billion dollar line."

Twenty-seven Per Cent.

According to the latest returns, covering only from four to nine months, our trade under reciprocity with Brazil, Cuba and Porto Rico has increased 27 per cent. The Chicago platform will probably claim reciprocity as a modification of free trade, though British Free-traders hate it worse than they do the McKinley Tariff, whose protective nature it shares, and of which it is a shoot.

An Irreparable Loss.

Twice Colonel A. K. McClure of *The Philadelphia Times* has lost an invaluable literary and political collection by fire. His correspondence with Mr. Lincoln in the campaign of 1860, including more than twenty letters, was burned when the Confederates burned Chambersburg, Pa., in July, 1864. The loss by the fire last week was far more extensive. *The Times* says of the correspondence and memoranda that were entirely consumed: "Among the letters thus destroyed was one from General Grant, covering four full, closely-written pages, in answer to a confidential proposition from *The Times* to pay him \$100 per column for any number of contributions to its columns on the war. The suggestion was made to Grant soon after he had been overwhelmed by the Ward failure, and Grant's reply, all in his own handwriting, was a beautiful mingling of the most heroic manliness with the most exquisite and delicate pathos."

A Matter of Latitude.

"The whole thing is a matter of latitude," confides an old gentleman to Kate Field's Washington, and referring to street-car etiquette: "In Boston I never gave up my seat on any account. There is nothing about a Boston woman—I say it in no spirit of disparagement—to suggest such a course. She lacks that sort of aggressive femininity which makes a man uncomfortable when he ventures, further south, to sit still while a woman is standing. In New York I give up my seat to elderly women or women with children to care for, or with their arms full of packages. In Philadelphia I vacate in favor of any woman old enough to wear a bonnet. In Washington my place is at the disposal of the veriest bed, and further south than that I never ride on a street car at all, as I feel that I must get up for every school girl, whether she has enticed upon her teens or not."

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AMENDMENT

To Article One of Articles Incorporated the Poyntz Bros. Co.

ARTICLE TO AMEND Article I of Articles of Incorporation of Poyntz Brothers Company, of Mayville, Mason County, Kentucky, recorded in Deed Book No. 92, page 174.

Be it known to all whom it may concern, that at a meeting of the stockholders of the Poyntz Brothers Company of Mayville, Kentucky, held at its office in Mayville, Kentucky, Thursday, April 28th, 1892, it was agreed that the corporate name of said company be changed from Poyntz Brothers Company to Oakwood Distillery Company, and that hereafter the business of said corporation be conducted under the corporate name of Oakwood Distillery Company.

And it was further agreed at said meeting, that Ben H. Poyntz, Secretary and Treasurer of said Poyntz Brothers Company, be and he was authorized to execute and acknowledge, and to cause to be recorded in the office of the Clerk of Mason County Court, and cause same to be published and recorded as required by law.

HENRY B. POYNTEZ,
Secretary and Treasurer of Poyntz Bros. Co.

STATE OF KENTUCKY, }
Mason County, }
I, T. M. Pearce, Clerk of the County Court for the county and state aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument of writing was this day produced to me in said county and acknowledged by Ben H. Poyntz, a party thereto, to be his act and deed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 29th day of April, 1892.

T. M. PEARCE, Clerk.
By J. C. Lovel, D. C.

STATE OF KENTUCKY, }
Mason County, }
I, T. M. Pearce, Clerk of the County Court for the county and state aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing Article of Incorporation of The Public Ledger Co. was, on March 30, 1892, produced to me in said county, and acknowledged by said Thomas L. Davis, William H. Cox, W. H. Wadsworth, Jr., R. T. Hickman, M. C. Russell, George L. Cox and Allen A. Edmonds each to be his act and deed, and on March 14, 1892, the same said Article of Incorporation was read and approved by the stockholders of said company, and the same was then and there duly recorded in my office.

Given under my hand this 14th day of March, 1892.

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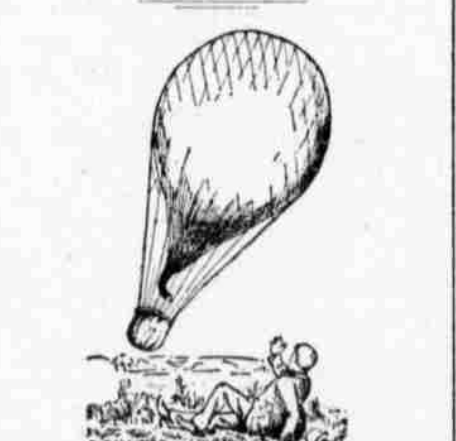
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WANTED—One large room. Address Box V, Maysville, Ky.

WANTED—Three thousand subscribers to THE PUBLIC LEDGER.

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FOR SALE—6,000 28 inch clap-boards for sale by G. W. DYE, Sardin.

FOR SALE—It trade for city property, a good family horse and an almost new Surrey. DR. S. PANGBURN.

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LOST.

LOST—On last Wednesday, a Paper Hanger's Brush in the Sixth Ward, about or near George Wallingford's store. The finder will please return to THE PUBLIC LEDGER office and receive a suitable reward.

P. G. TRIPLETT.

LOST—A Pocketbook containing \$10.75. Reward of \$5 if returned to THE LEDGER office, or to THOMAS SWENEY.

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FOUND—A Kid Glove. Owner can get same by calling at LEDGER office.

FOUND—That if you pay a big profit to patronize THE PUBLIC LEDGER.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.

—ADOPTED BY—

THE PUBLIC LEDGER CO.

OF MAYSVILLE, KY.

ART. 1. Be it known that William H. Cox, Thomas A. Davis, W. H. Wadsworth, Jr., Samuel T. Hickman, A. M. J. Cochran, M. C. Russell, George L. Cox and Allen A. Edmonds, have this day associated themselves together and become incorporated under and by virtue of Chapter 36 of the General Statutes of the State of Kentucky as The Public Ledger Company and by that name shall sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, with power to alter and amend its articles.

ART. 2. The capital stock of said Corporation shall be \$5,000, divided into shares of \$10 each, and the same shall be transferable by written assignment on the certificate, and when transferred the certificate for same shall be surrendered to the Company and canceled, and new ones issued in lieu thereof.

ART. 3. This Corporation is organized for the purpose of publishing a newspaper in the city of Maysville, and distributing the same throughout the state of Kentucky, and for the carrying on of a general newspaper business in said city and state.

ART. 4. The principal place of business of said Corporation shall be at Maysville, Ky. The capital stock of said Corporation may be increased at a meeting of the stockholders (those holding a majority of the stock assent thereto) to any sum not exceeding \$10,000. This Corporation may organize such 300 shares of its stock is subscribed. Stock may be paid for in money or equivalent at an agreed contract price, and any stock not subscribed for may be sold from time to time, as the Directors may direct and authorize, and the certificates of stock shall be signed by the President and Secretary, and the corporate seal shall be affixed to same.

ART. 5. The Corporation shall be managed by a Directory of five persons who shall be elected annually at the Company's office in Maysville, Ky., on the 1st Monday in March of each year. If, for any reason, there should not be an election held at the time fixed, the Directors in office shall continue as such until their successors are elected and qualified.

ART. 6. The Directors shall choose from their number a President and Vice-President, and from said number or the stockholders a Secretary and Treasurer, or if they see fit, they may combine these two offices into one. They shall elect an Editor, and may elect an assistant to the Editor, both of whose duties and tenure of office they may fix and prescribe by by-laws of the Company, which by-laws a majority of the Directors may adopt for the management of the Company's affairs.

ART. 7. The Company shall not incur an indebtedness exceeding, in the aggregate, at any one time, a sum equal to one-half of the capital stock paid in.

ART. 8. The private property of the stockholders of this Company shall be exempt from all debts or liabilities of the Corporation.

ART. 9. The Corporation shall begin when it shall have organized, as provided for herein, and shall continue as long as may be necessary, according to law.

In witness whereof, the said incorporators have hereunto set their hands this 10th day of March, 1892.

WILLIAM H. COX, A. M. J. COCHRAN,
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